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The REOC coordinated with the JIC on the Administrator's visit scheduled for Monday, May 24th. The TAGA bus will pick the Administrator up in New Orleans @ 9:00 AM and will drive her to Venice, LA. Dave Mickunas will be the tour guide on the TAGA bus. Upon arrival in Venice, LA, the Administrator will travel by boat to see the movement of oil along the coastline. OSC Chris Ruhl will be the tour guide while the Administrator is on the water. Once the boat tour is completed, David Gray will provide transportation for the Administrator and her group back to New Orleans.

The revised final R4/R6 QASP for the BP Oil Spill was submitted to the RA.

Chalmette water operations are currently underway in the Terrebonne/Timbalier/Barataria Bay area and floating oil was encountered in the area on May 21st. Venice water operations are being conducted near the Southwest and South Passes area of the Mississippi River. The team observed oily material washed up one of the areas barrier islands (lat/long provided in documentation).

An EPA team mobilized to Grand Isle on May 21st to conduct a visual reconnaissance of the Caminada Pass area and visual oil was noted at both the pass and shoreline facing the Gulf of Mexico. The Team utilized 2 Suma Canisters to collect grab samples from the area. Response workers were maintaining boom and using a vacuum truck to remove product from the water surface. The team reported mild petroleum odors. An AreaRAE was utilized to monitor the area for VOCs. The instrument readings were 0 ppm throughout the team's time on station.

Surface dispersant was applied by planes and boats on May 21st.



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